

b) a vendor station having computer means for the transmission and receipt of vendor-type information to or from said central data center for conducting a transaction; and database storage components for receiving and storing said transaction information sent from said user station via said central data center; and

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c) said central data center electronically connected to said user station and said vendor station and including a computer processor for centralized transmitting, receipt of and storage of said transaction information and said vendor-type information with said user station and said vendor station; and a network interface for electronically connecting and making compatible said computer means at said vendor station and the videophone at said user station.

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14 (amended). A videophone system in accordance with Claim 1, ^{4/13} wherein said user station, said vendor station, and said central data center each further [including] include an encryption encoder and a decryption decoder for safeguarding said transaction information sent or received.

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C ^{4/13} ₆ (amended). A videophone system in accordance with Claim 1, wherein said videophone further includes [a memory chip for storing of said transaction information, a proprietary interface chip for interfacing with said central data center,] an expanded touch pad for sending additional detailed information, and a pointer for use on the videophone monitor screen.

25 (amended). A videophone interactive mailbox facility system including a central data center for processing of information to conduct a transaction, comprising:

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a) a user station having a videophone for viewing transaction information sent or received to conduct a transaction; and means for inputting said transaction information into said videophone; said videophone including a memory chip for storing said transaction information and an interface chip for interfacing with said central data center; and

b) said central data center electronically connected to said user station and including a computer processor for centralized transmitting, receipt of and storage of said transaction information and [said] vendor-type information with said user station; database storage components for receiving and storing said transaction information sent from said user station; and a network interface for electronically connecting and making said computer processor compatible with said user station.

Claim 27, line 10, before "vendor", delete "said".

REMARKS

Claims 13 to 27 have been rejected on the grounds of double patenting based on Application Serial No. 08/438,892 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,606,361). To overcome this rejection, a Terminal Disclaimer has been submitted herewith.